



President's Message

3-5-08 EAA 429

President's Radio Call

We have some neat events coming up this summer at the Jefferson City Airport (JEF), both approved by Ron Craft, our airport manager, and us! American Barnstormers will be here June 29-30. They have 20 restored vintage aircraft from the 1920s and 1930s traveling throughout the Midwest in June. Each afternoon will see a "Barnstormers Parade of Flight" with an MC telling tales and biplane histories. Visitors may buy a \$50 ride in a Travel Air or a New Standard biplane. The group will have period costumes, aircraft signs, historical info, and vintage props. Should be fun!

Then we have the EAA's B-17, *Aluminum Overcast*, here July 7-10. I talked with George Daubner from Milwaukee, one of the pilots. They want to come back here because we did a good job in 2006, they remember that, and they like the airport. Chap 429 will get 25% of the ground tour proceeds and 15% of the gross for B-17 merchandise, and \$30 of each paying plane ticket. We need 10 people each day, two for merchandise, three at the plane, and up to five more for other duties. We could earn up to \$3,000 for Chap 429 to use for projects. So, be thinking of what we could use it for!

The flight tickets are \$359 for a current EAA member, and \$399 for a nonmember but you get a free one-year membership. Well, that's steep, but plenty of people booked tickets last time, and remember, this four-engine bomber holds 1,700 gals of 100 LL fuel! It cruises at 170 mph (148 knots), and it gulps fuel at about 150 gals/hr. Each flight lasts approximately 35 minutes, of those 20-22 minutes will be in the air. Fuel is \$4.68 a gal at JEF, so that's about \$410 for fuel for just one brief flight, not to mention maintenance!

They take 6 to 10 people per flight. If some seats are empty, our volunteers can fly for free. How do you schedule a paying flight? You can get lots of info and even book a flight at www.b17.org or call toll-free 1-800-FLY-NB17 (1-800-359-6217).

The B-17 will leave JEF for Champaign, Illinois on July 10, 1100, and they will take 6 to 8 of our volunteers with them for free. (Of course, you

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have to find your way back here.)

Our next meeting is Monday, March 10, 7:00 PM at JEF. See you there!



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chapter events.

February Meeting Minutes

EAA Chapter 429 Minutes

February 18, 2008, 7:00 PM, Jefferson City Airport Terminal

Present were President Bill Elliott, Vice President Mike Sullivan, Treasurer Ron Dallmeyer, Webmaster/YE Coordinator Blake Lewis, and about 10 others.

Ron tried to collect dues, and sold several Joker's Wild tickets. President Bill led the Pledge of Allegiance. He passed around the roster and got a few updates, which will be provided soon.

Jim Egbert, an A&P mechanic from Holts Summit, visited the meeting. Jim might be building a plane later on. The Dec. meeting was cancelled by sleet, and this one was postponed from our regular date of Feb. 11 by sleet. No minutes were read from the Nov.

Upcoming Events

14 April Chapter Meeting	7:00 pm
Kingdom Pilots' Assoc. Fly-in & Breakfast, Fulton, May 17	7:00 am
American Barnstormers at the Jefferson City Airport June 29-30	B-17, <i>Aluminum Overcast</i> , here July 7-10

meeting as our Sec., Chet Hartley, was absent, but Chet recently got out the Feb. newsletter (thanks Chet!)

Treasurer's report from Ron, 12-07-07: Checking: \$2,178.85 - \$227 to EAA for chap dues and liability insurance = \$1,951.85 (includes \$433.00 Jokers on 1-05), Savings (2 CDs): \$2,661.39 & \$2,651.63. Total assets: \$6,881.87.

Young Eagles Update—Blake Lewis. We may have an event on May 17 at Fulton AP. He will talk with A.J. Stricker there. We could have eight high school students.

Technical Counselor's Update—Bob Stewart saw Brent Scott recently, who wants to rejoin our Chap. He is building a Legal Eagle with a ½ VW engine at a private airstrip near New Bloomfield. Bob suggested a field trip there sometime.

No Flight Advisor Update—Bob Lynch (absent).

Project Updates—Bill Elliott is recovering the tube and fabric wings of his Challenger II, and may have the Chap over to look at it later once the fuselage is started. Bill Harman's CH701 is running fine with the French VW-like engine. Ron Dallmeyer's 701 flies fine; he has an O₂ sensor or some gizmo to adjust the mixture for max efficiency. Robbie Barnhart, our high school student, was accepted to the EAA Academy for this summer! Blake talked about a neat private airstrip in Arkansas that you might be able to visit.

Old Business—The EAA Chap. Leadership Academy was full, Jan. 11-13, so Pres. Bill did not go. [Another one is offered April 18-20, but he has another commitment then.] We approved \$200 support for Robbie Barnhart to go to EAA Air Academy.

New Business and events for 2008—Webmaster report and proposal—Blake Lewis is building our new website at "GotBoost." The server is in Columbia in an old rock quarry for security and stability. The fee is \$135 per year with no ads, \$15 for the domain name, and \$10 per month for 2 GB (gigabytes) of storage. It should be adequate to host new services, such as each member having an account and being able to upload his project photos to the website. We probably can have custom email addresses for members, databases, records, and password protection to protected areas. Members voted to approve of Blake's proposal. Check out www.eaa429.org, which now has Bill's Chapter Library inventory! More is coming!

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Kingdom Pilots' Assoc. Fly-in & Breakfast, Fulton, May 17. By consensus we approved participating. They need pilots.

American Barnstormers, June 29-30. JEF Airport scheduled this traveling group of vintage biplanes. They will give \$50 rides and put on a show. They need publicity, a hangar for 20 aircraft, a band, and a welcome from community. We took no vote, but members are encouraged to contact the JEF Airport Manager, and offer to help: Ron Craft, RCraft@jeffcitymo.org, 573-634-6469.

We briefly discussed having a Chap 429 Fly-in, but perhaps we need more members to make it happen. We'll discuss this again soon.

EAA B-17 Tour, July 7-10, JEF. Blake moved, Bill Harman seconded, and the members voted to support this with 10 people! The Chapter may earn up to \$3,000 for working three days. We need people to conduct ground tours of the plane and sell EAA merchandise. We can include friends, family, Young Eagles and youth for ground tours. Anyone who puts in significant time may get to fly in an empty seat, which normally costs \$359 for an EAA member. Eight volunteers showed their hands. Bill wants a member to ramrod this effort, but he will work on it too.

We need to start planning the Chap picnic for Sept. or Oct. Anyone willing to take this on?

Other new business—Bill mentioned the recent letter from the City of Columbia soliciting comments and proposals to build GA T-hangars at Columbia Airport. Please contact the City Manager if interested.

Program: Marv Reese's Daisy Mae biplane (DVD) was shown by Bill. Marv scaled up a RC model he had built and made an Experimental Light Sport Aircraft that flies well.

Joker's Wild Drawing—No winner. Not many cards left!

Next meeting: Mon., March 10, 2008, JEF.

Adjourn.

